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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S PARTICIPATION IN ANZUS COUNCIL

- 1. PRIME MINISTER WHITLAM HAS AGAIN RAISED WITH ME THE SCHEDULING OF ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING. HE SAID THAT GOA AND GNZ WERE COUNTING HEAVILY UPON A MINISTERIAL-LEVEL SESSION IN WELLINGTON AT MUTUALLY CONVENIENT DATE IN COMING MONTHS.
- 2. PM FELT IT WOULD BE ESPECIALLY APPROPRIATE FOR DR.
  KISSINGER TO ATTEND AS NEW SECRETARY OF STATE. WHITLAM
  SAID HE COULD FULLY APPRECIATE EXTENSIVE SCHEDULING DEMANDS UPON
  SECSTATE, WHO WOULD NEED TO BE ABROAD HALF THE YEAR IF
  HE ATTENDED IN PERSON THE COUNCIL MEETINGS OF ALL US
  ALLIANCES. HE APOLOGIZED FOR PLACING ADDITIONAL PRESSURE
  ON SECRETARY-DESIGNATE, BUT EMPHASIZED THE GREAT
  IMPORTANCE OF ANZUS TO AUSTRALIA. GOA WOULD BE PARTICULARLY
  HONORED IF DR. KISSINGER COULD ATTEND MEETING IN WELLINGTON
  AND MAKE BRIEF STOPOVER IN AUSTRALIA EN ROUTE HOME.
- 3. I ACKNOWLEDGED THE EXTRAORDINARY PRESSURE UPON SECRETARY'S TIME AND NOTED THAT ANY TRAVEL TO PACIFIC COULD PROBABLY PROVE POSSIBLE ONLY IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER MEETINGS IN ASIA. I PROMISED TO TRANSMIT WHITLAM'S RENEWED REQUEST, AND MENTIONED THAT IF DR. CONFIDENTIAL

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KISSINGER WERE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE

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